Successes and Challenges in Satellite Remote Sensing of Trace Gases for Air Quality Applications

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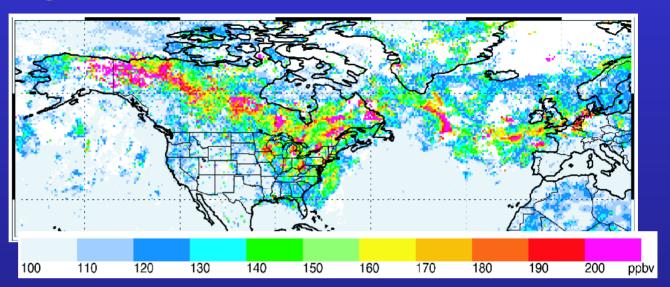
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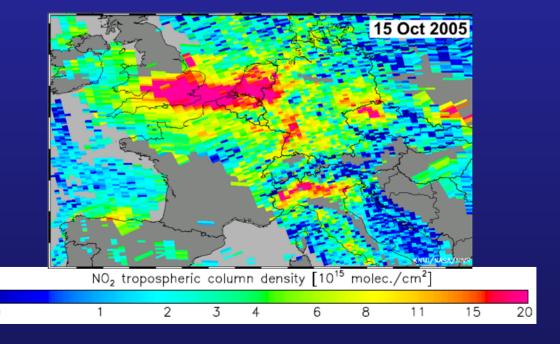
Successes

Long-Range Transport of Pollutants

CO from MOPITT for July 2004 Pfister et al., 2006

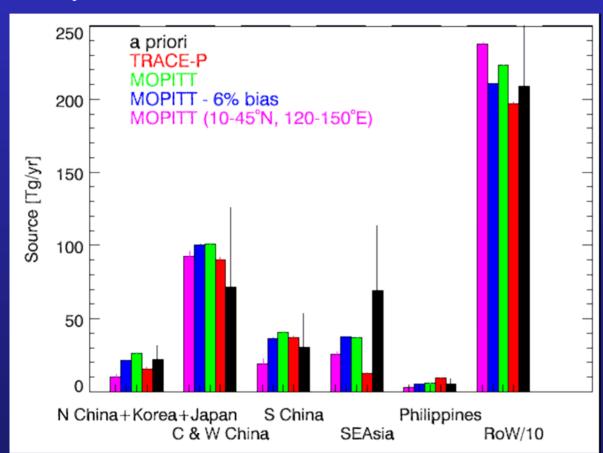


OMI Tropospheric NO₂ column Eskes et al.



Source Strengths Inferred from MOPITT CO Observations

Adjustments in CO inventories



40°N 30°N 20°N 10°N 10°S 90°E 120°E adjoint inversion 50°N 40°N 30°N 20°N 10°N 10°S 120°E 0.75 1.00 1.25

analytical inversion

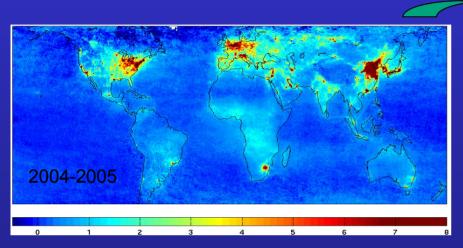
Correction factors to *a priori*Asian CO sources for
February – April 2001

Kopacz et al., submitted

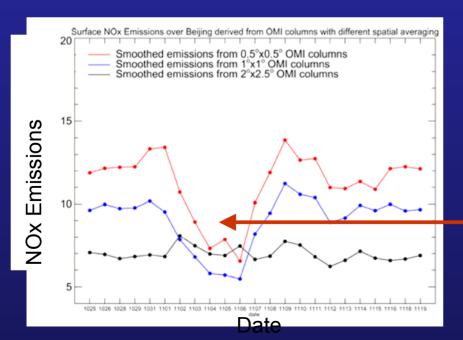
Heald et al., 2004

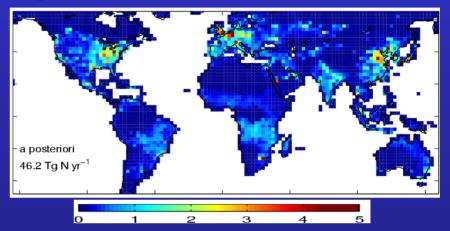
Top-Down Constraints on NOx Emissions

Inverse Modeling



SCIAMACHY Tropospheric NO₂ (10¹⁵ molec cm⁻²)





NO_x emissions (10¹¹ atoms N cm⁻² s⁻¹)

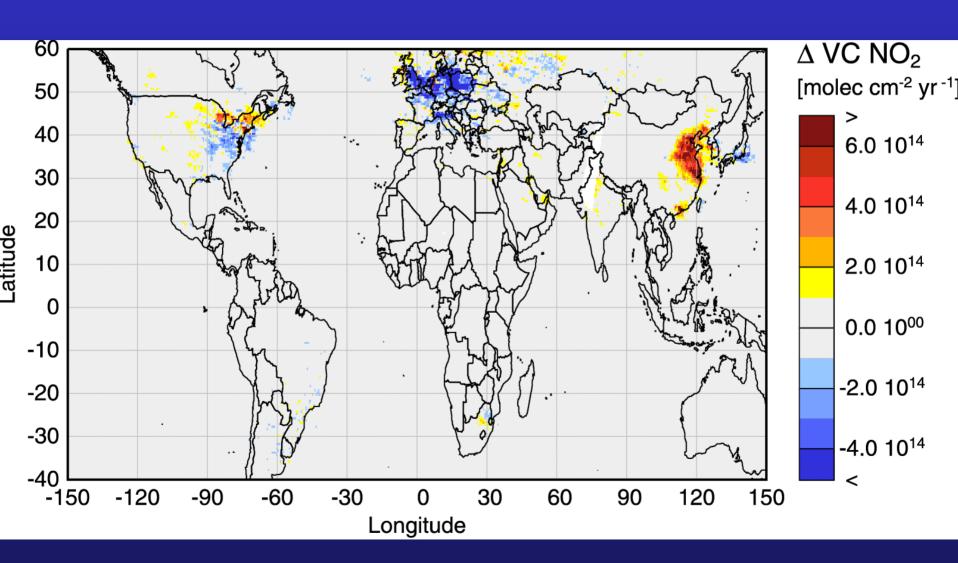
Martin et al., 2006

Reduction in NOx Emissions
During Traffic Restrictions
Observed by OMI

Sino-African Summit in Beijing

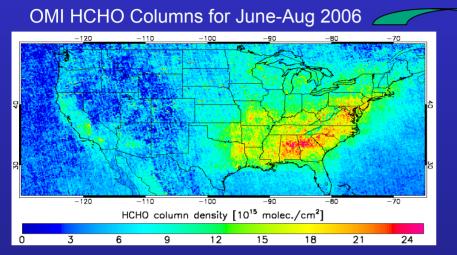
Wang et al., 2007

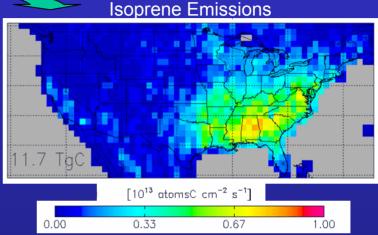
NO₂ Trends Inferred from GOME (1995-2002)



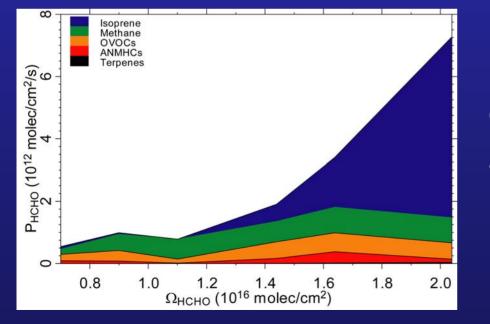
Top-Down Constraints on Isoprene Emissions

Inverse Modeling





Millet et al., submitted



Isoprene dominant source when Ω_{HCHO} is high

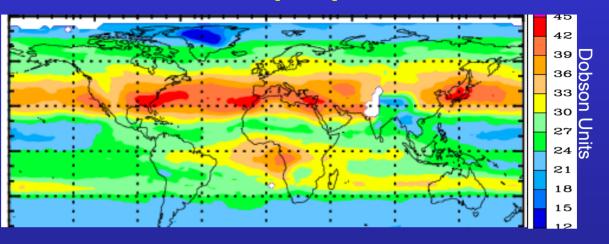
Other VOCs give rise to a relatively stable background Ω_{HCHO}

→ Not to variability detectable from space

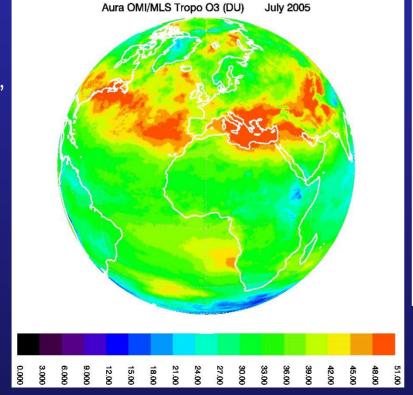
 Ω_{HCHO} variability over N. America driven by isoprene

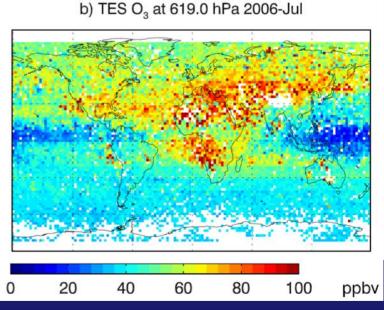
Global Retrievals of Tropospheric Ozone

Tropospheric O₃ from GOME for summer 1997 Liu et al., 2006



Ziemke et al., 2006





Nassar and TES-team, 2007